



## Reservoir Committee of Envision Arlington DRAFT NOTES

Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Time: 7:30 PM via Zoom

Attended: Ann LeRoyer, David White, Stephan Miller, Dan Sheehan, Mary Diaz-Pryzbl, George Stephans Michael Ratner, Kathy Garnett, Johanna Meyer.

### **Agenda –**

#### **1. Check-ins and Observations** from around the Res.

Geese, ducks, and swans around the Reservoir. Great work done clearing the debris and water chestnuts in front of the Hurd Field bridge.

There is concern about the debris dam of branches etc. that is causing Mill Brook to back up along the side of Hurd Field before the turn by Colonial Village. Talk with David Morgan about clearing some of the invasive plants along the channel between Hurd Field and Colonial Village while the fence is being repaired.

Would also like to add in the future reports from other groups.

#### **2. Review previous meeting notes – to be located and resent**

#### **3. Website -** Possibly a blog entry by Dan on website about recent events like Mill Brook water chestnut back up near the bridge and subsequent clean up.

#### **4. Mill Brook cleanup-** water chestnut and cleared limbs that impeded the water flow near the Hurd field bridge. Four volunteers including Suzanne and George removed water chestnut, debris, trash and other objects from the back up at the Hurd field bridge. The other bridge by Drake village is clear. It was noted that David who lives nearby has tools that can be borrowed.

#### **5. Habitat Garden -** Jennifer to be consulted on sowing seeds at home and planting seedlings. Hopefully will get more information soon.

#### **6. Activity Schedule**

- Late March/early April for the seeds - with mulching and/or daily watering
- April/May Mustard Weed pull Girl scouts/Boy Scouts
- May BARPCV workday

- June Water Chestnut Mechanical Harvesting
- Early/mid July: Hand pull for water chestnuts. Will also check with MyRWA.

**7. Website update complete** - <https://arlingtonreservoir.org/> Send posts for monthly updates. Customize the Annual Report to post on the website.

**8. Annual Report** submitted to Envision Arlington. Will prepare a version for our website.

## **9. Committee Roles and Winter Projects**

- a. Jenifer Tidwell Native Plant Specialist, Autumn Light Design - Lead Gardener planting plan for along the stairs on the spillway side
- b. Cherie Lepak - Social Media coordination- Meetup, Facebook, Next Door
- c. Cathy Garnett & David White - Trifold brochure update/map.
- d. George Stephans possibly organize, and everyone contribute photos for 20 year update of Tour of Reservoir, website and events
- e. David White & co - write ups for annual report
- f. Brian McBride (possibly Mary Diaz-Przybyl too co-coordinator) event coordinator for planting May 20<sup>th</sup> (Returning Peace Corp group).
- g. Dan Sheehan - Reporter
- g. Still Needed -( Materials management) Signs for Town Day need updates, the wood signs need repair
- h. Still Needed - 2023 Reporter for meeting note taking and event write ups for website/reports/social media etc.
- i. Still need Co-Coordinator for Water chestnut Activities - Raking in winter, pulling in early spring and after the harvester (possibly Beth)
- j. Still need Materials management.

Events Coordinator- Mary Diaz-Przybyl

Writer/Reporter/Secretary- Dan Sheehan

Garden Designer- Jenifer Tidwell, Autumn Light Design

Social Media Coordinator –OPEN

## **10. Next meetings – February 21, March 21**

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